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Michigan Farm Numbers

The estimated number of farms in Michigan in 2015 was 51,500, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Land in farms was estimated to be 9.95 million acres, unchanged from last year. The average size farm in Michigan was 193 acres per farm, also unchanged from 2014.

The number of farms in the United States in 2015 was estimated at 2.07 million, down 18 thousand farms from 2014. Total land in farms, at 912 million acres, decreased 1 million acres from 2014. The average farm size in 2015 was 441 acres, up 3 acres from the previous year.

Number of farms by economic sales class, 2014-2015

| State and year | \$1,000-\$9,999 | \$10,000-\$99,999 | \$100,000-\$249,999 | \$250,000-\$499,999 | \$500,000-\$999,999 | \$1,000,000 + | Total |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> |
| Michigan | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 25,800 | 14,800 | 4,200 | 2,700 | 2,250 | 1,850 | 51,600 |
| 2015 | 25,600 | 14,700 | 4,100 | 2,900 | 2,350 | 1,850 | 51,500 |
| United States | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 1,055,160 | 622,650 | 144,960 | 97,170 | 82,820 | 82,240 | 2,085,000 |
| 2015 | 1,035,170 | 623,040 | 145,230 | 97,940 | 83,110 | 82,510 | 2,067,000 |

Land in farms by economic sales class, 2014-2015

| State and year | \$1,000-\$9,999 | \$10,000-\$99,999 | \$100,000-\$249,999 | \$250,000-\$499,999 | \$500,000-\$999,999 | \$1,000,000 + | Total |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> | <i>1,000 acres</i> |
| Michigan | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 1,100 | 1,700 | 1,050 | 1,200 | 1,800 | 3,100 | 9,950 |
| 2015 | 1,050 | 1,650 | 1,050 | 1,250 | 1,800 | 3,150 | 9,950 |
| United States | | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 90,800 | 193,820 | 128,930 | 125,320 | 156,070 | 218,060 | 913,000 |
| 2015 | 87,880 | 191,470 | 130,780 | 125,840 | 156,400 | 219,630 | 912,000 |

A farm is defined as any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold during the year. The \$1,000 threshold can be met by any combination of sales and government payments. Land in farms includes: crop and livestock acreage, wasteland, woodland, pasture, land in summer fallow, idle cropland, land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program, and other set-aside or commodity acreage programs.